

## Supplementary Figures for

# Experimental measurements of the viscosity and melt structure of alkali basalts at high pressure and temperature

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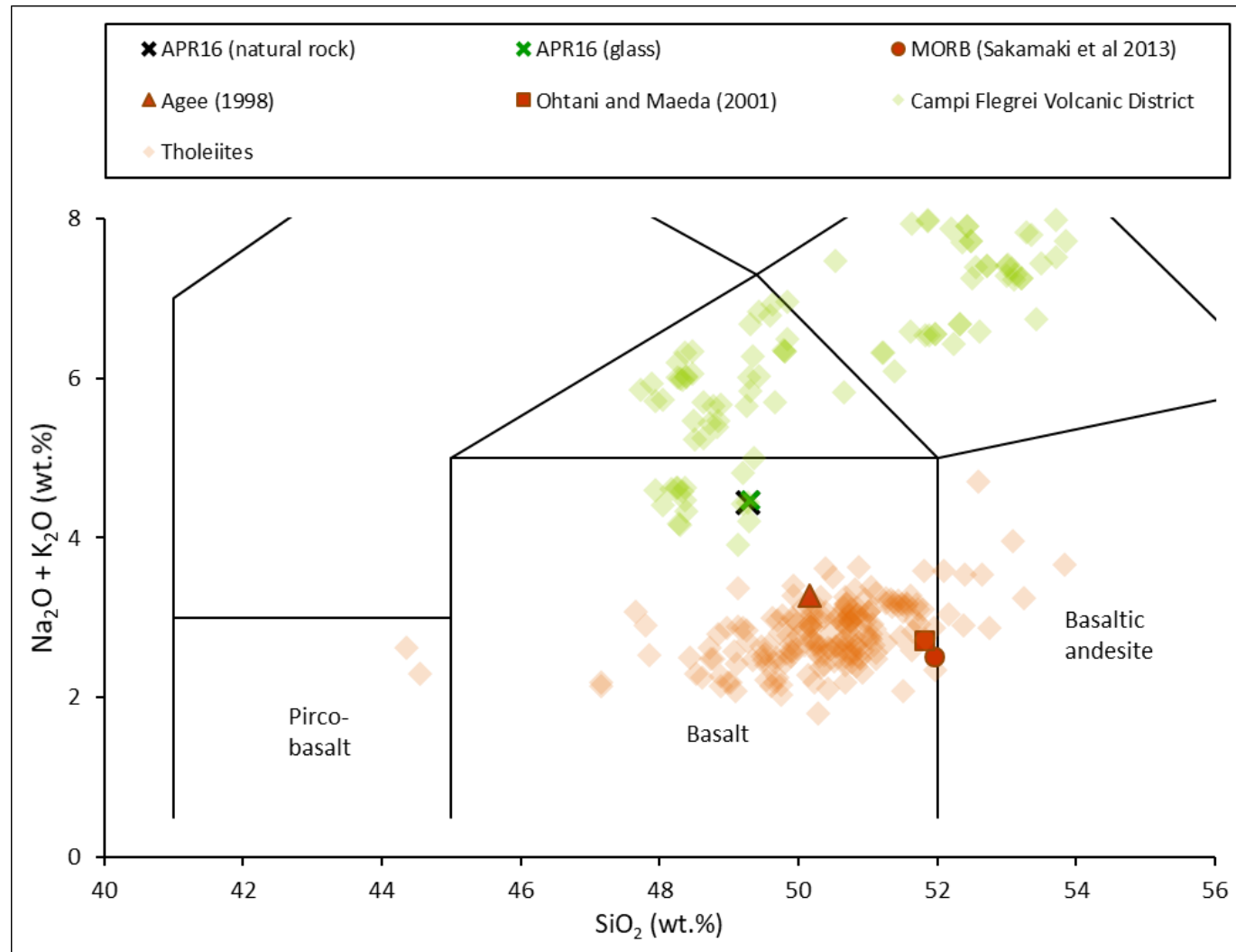
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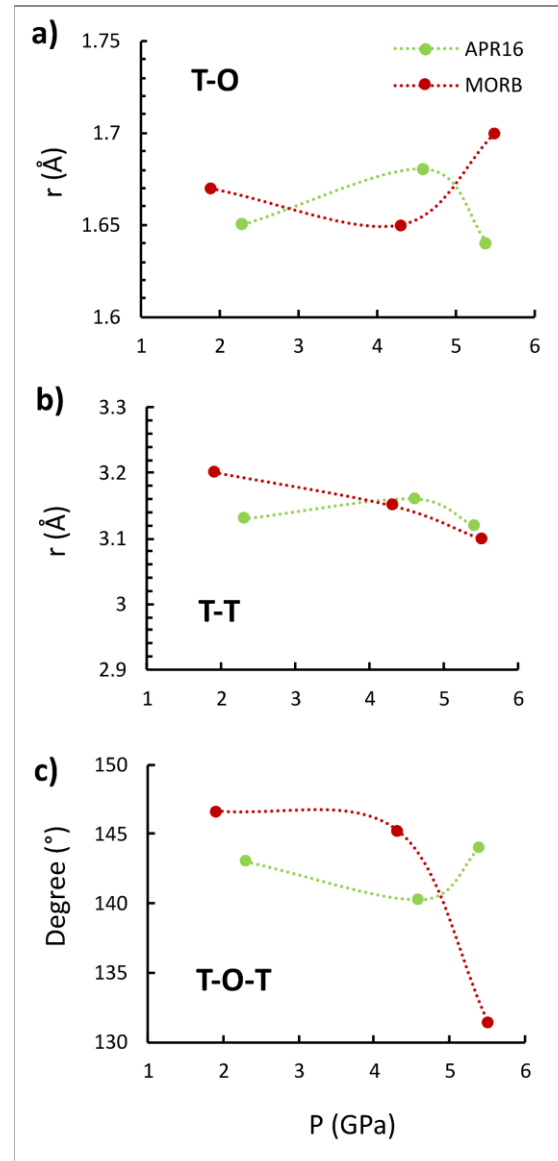
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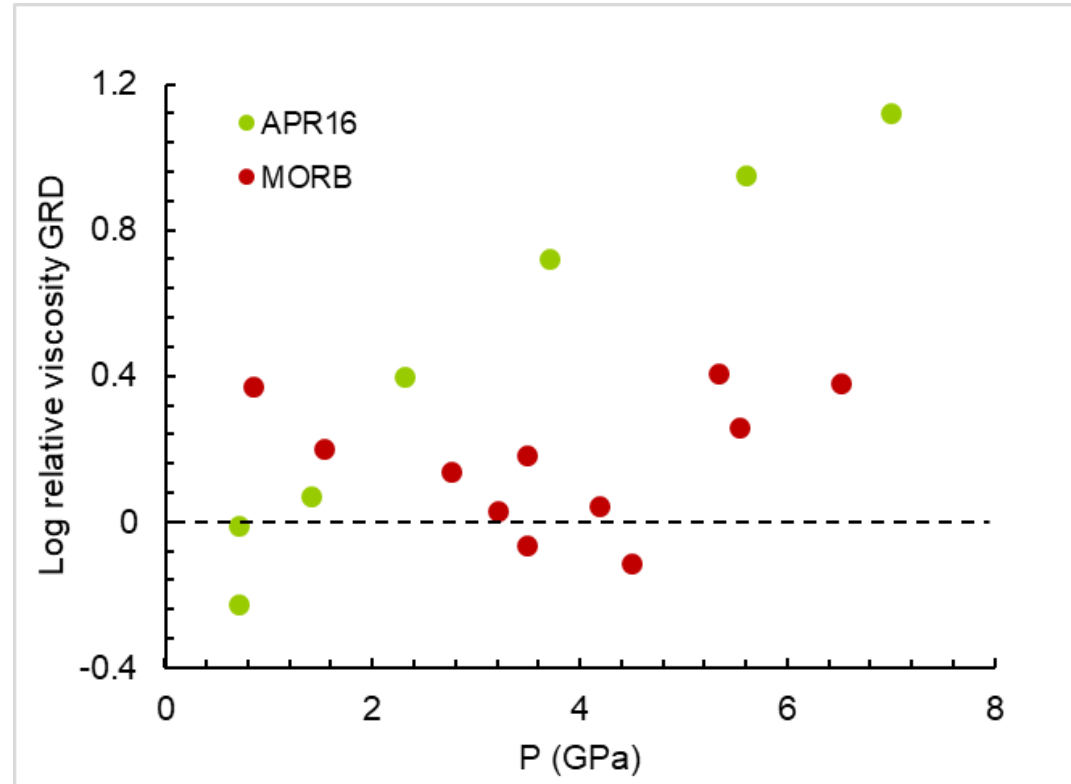
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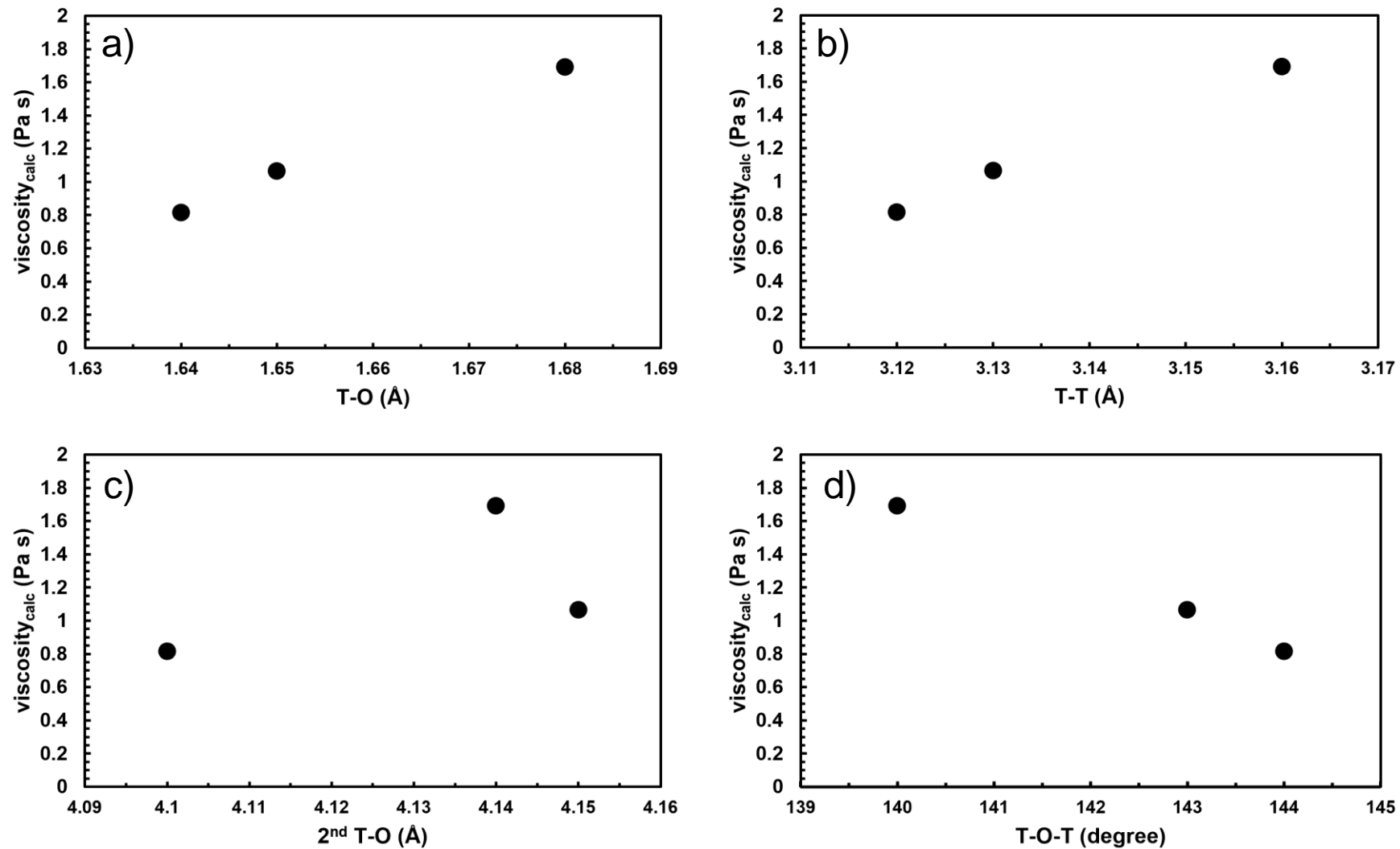
**Figure S1** Total Alkali-Silica diagram showing the APR16 starting material compared with synthetic and natural basaltic compositions used in previous studies as reported in Table S1. Data for Campi Flegrei Volcanic District (green diamonds) and for Tholeiites (orange diamonds) are from GEOROC database (<http://georoc.mpch-mainz.gwdg.de/georoc/Start.asp>)



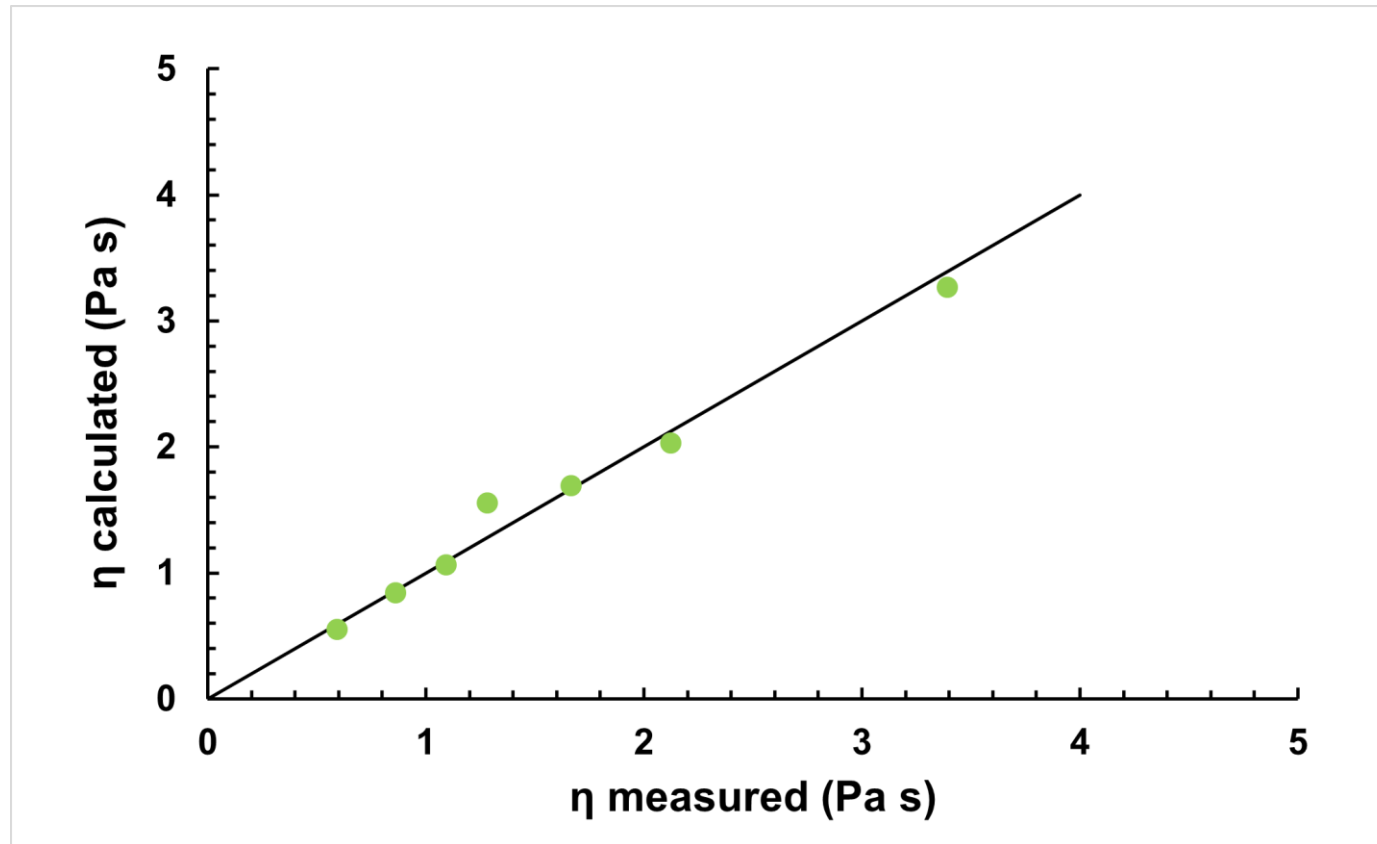
**Figure S2** Atomic distance (a-b) and T-O-T angle (c) vs pressure.



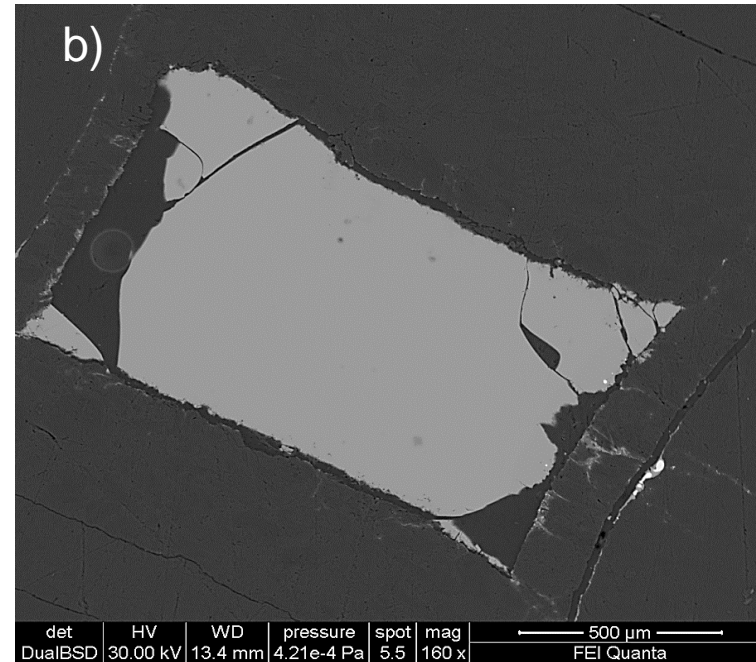
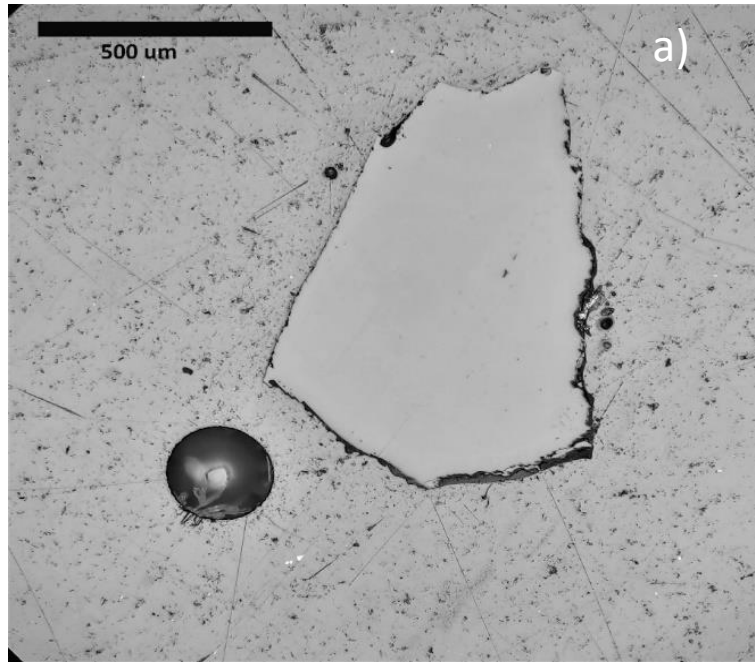
**Figure S3** Logarithm of the relative viscosity (i.e., the difference between the viscosity measured for APR16 and MORB and their 1-atm viscosities calculated through the model by Giordano et al.<sup>5</sup> within the same T range).



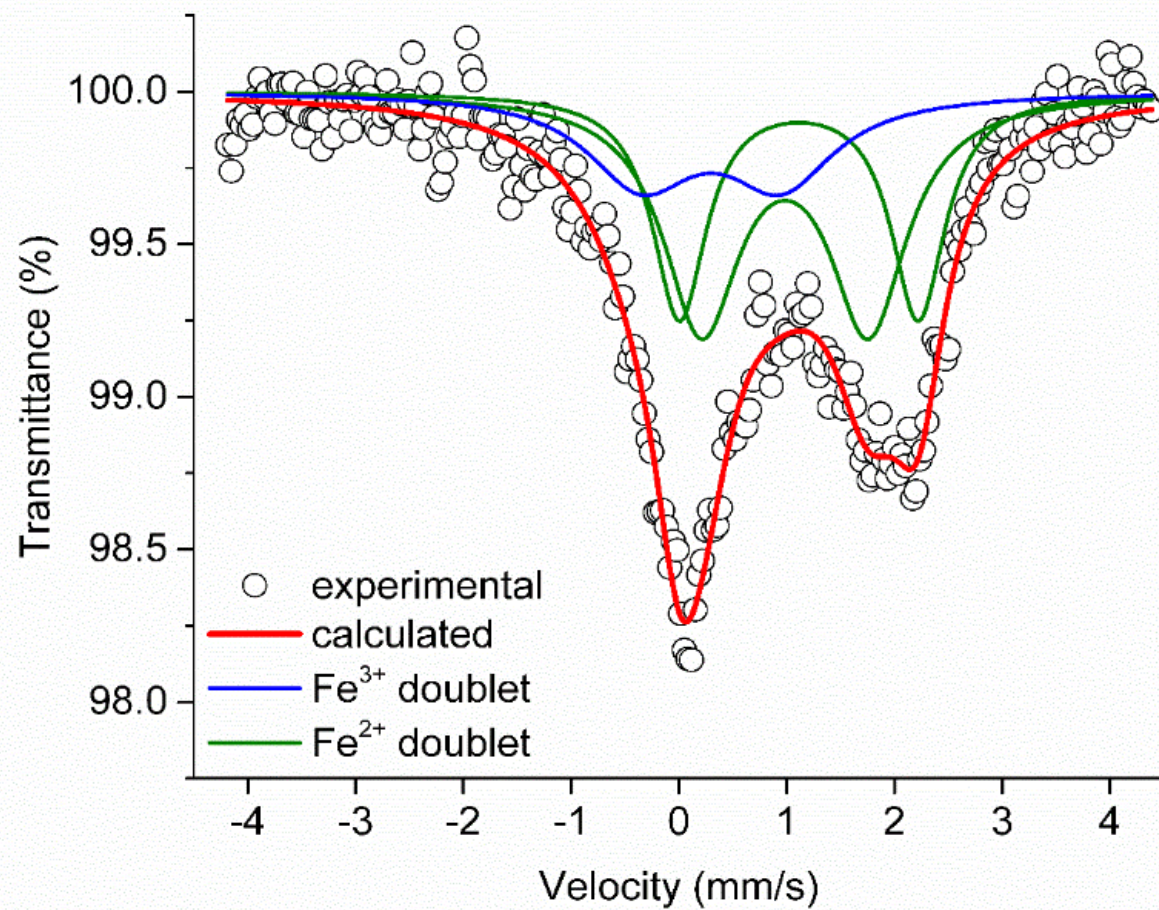
**Figure S4** The viscosity of APR16 calculated using (eq1) plotted vs the atomic distances (a-c) and T-O-T angle (d). The viscosity is plotted at the P-T conditions at which the melt structure was measured (Table 2).



**Figure S5.** Comparison between the measured absolute viscosity for APR16 and the viscosity calculated using their Arrhenian fitting equation (Eq. 1 in the text).

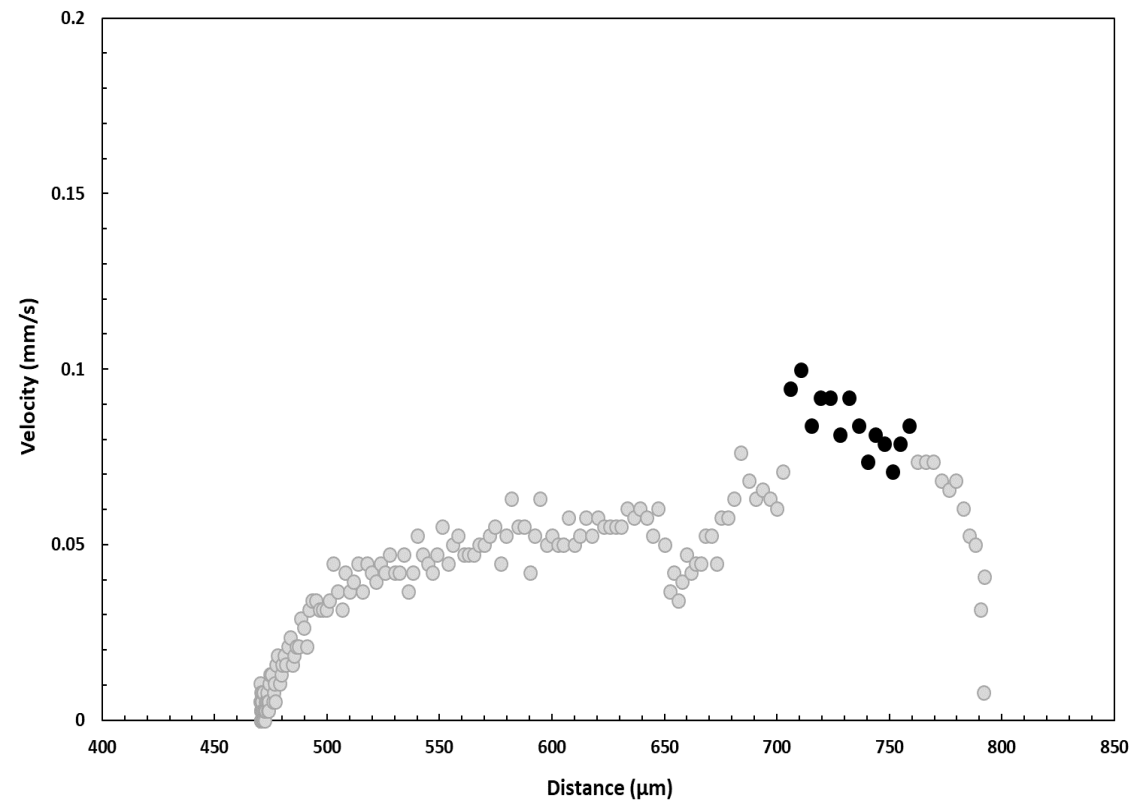
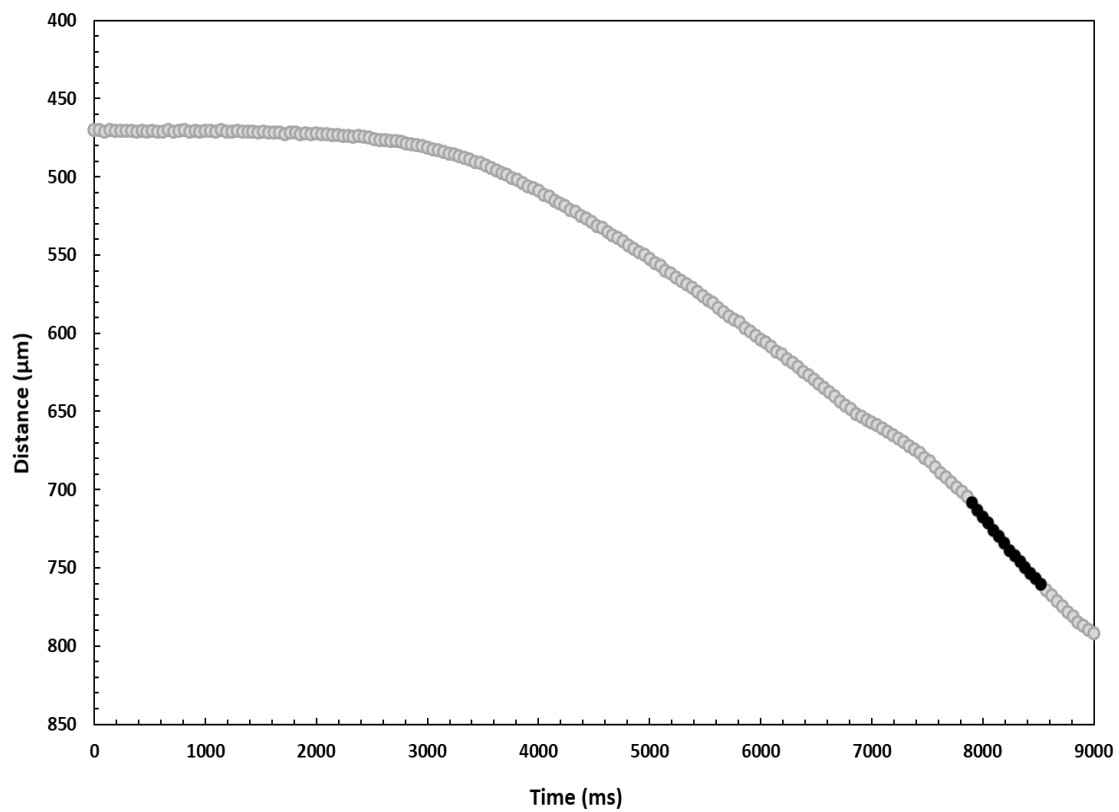


**Figure S6** a) optical microscope image of APR16 starting material, and b) back-scattered electron image of APR16-PE6 run (1835 °C, 5.6 GPa) showing the chemical and textural homogeneity.

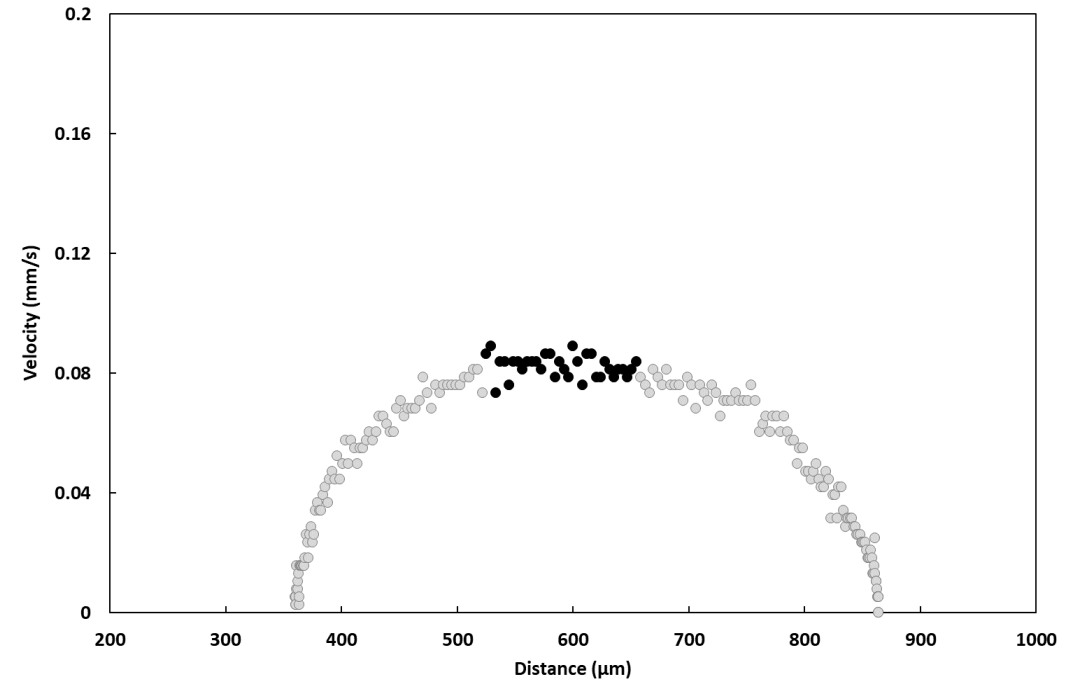
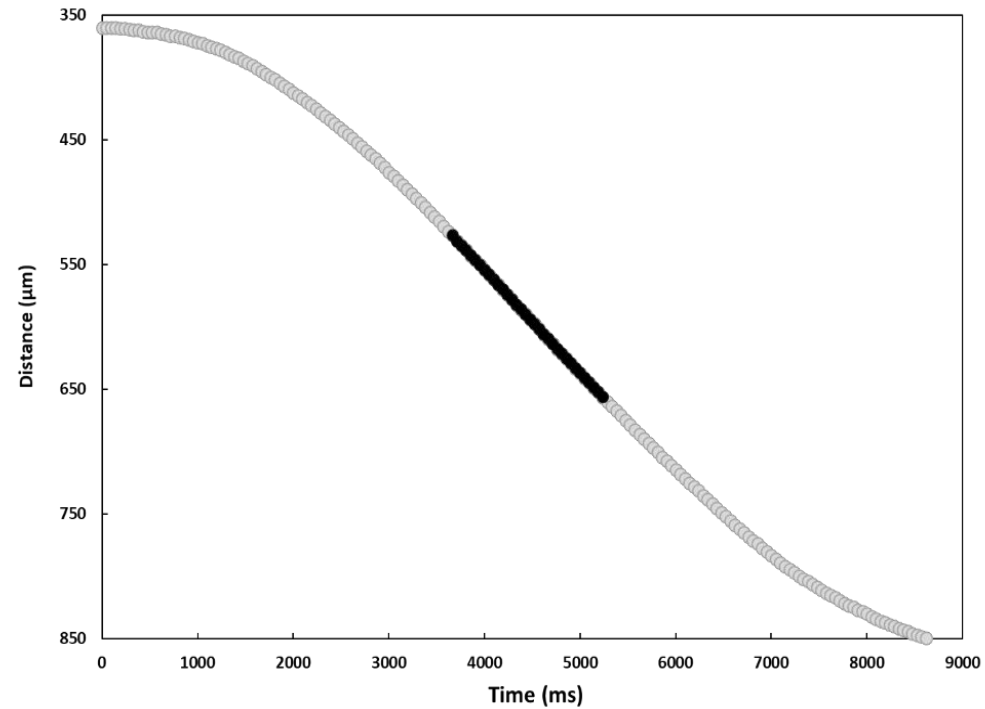


**Figure S7** Mössbauer spectrum of APR16 starting glass.

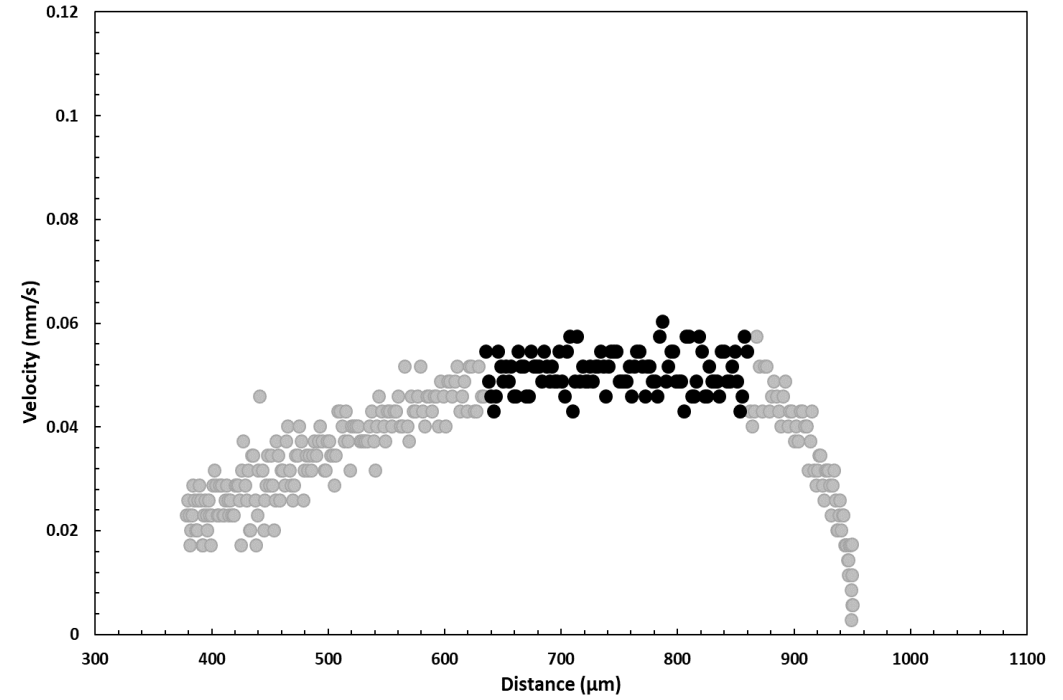
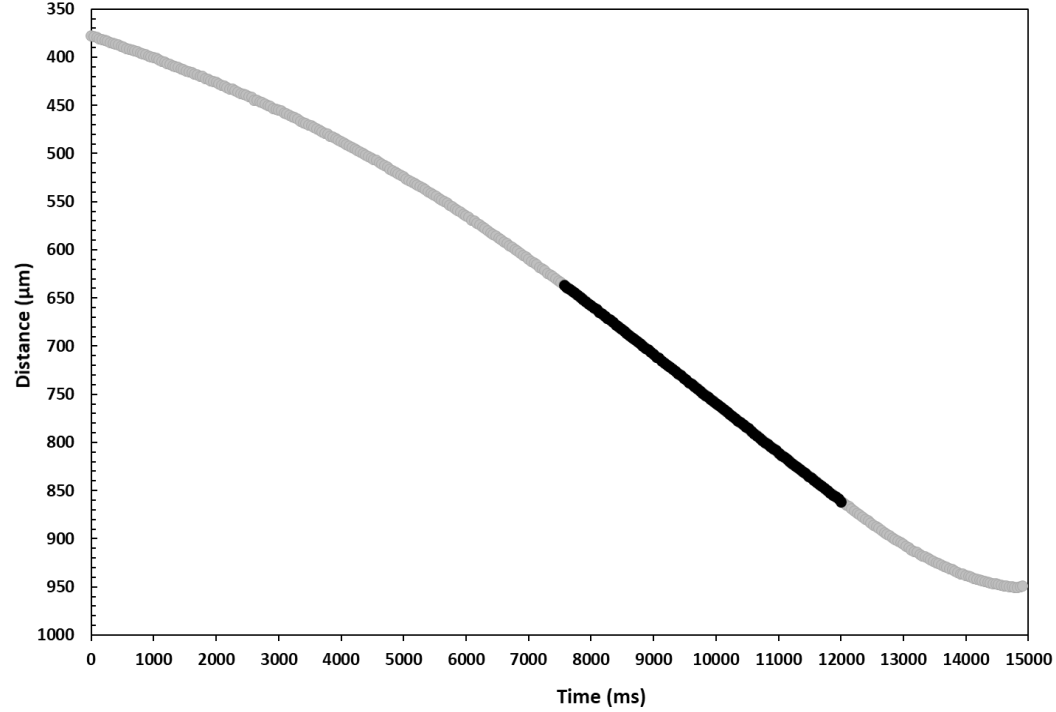




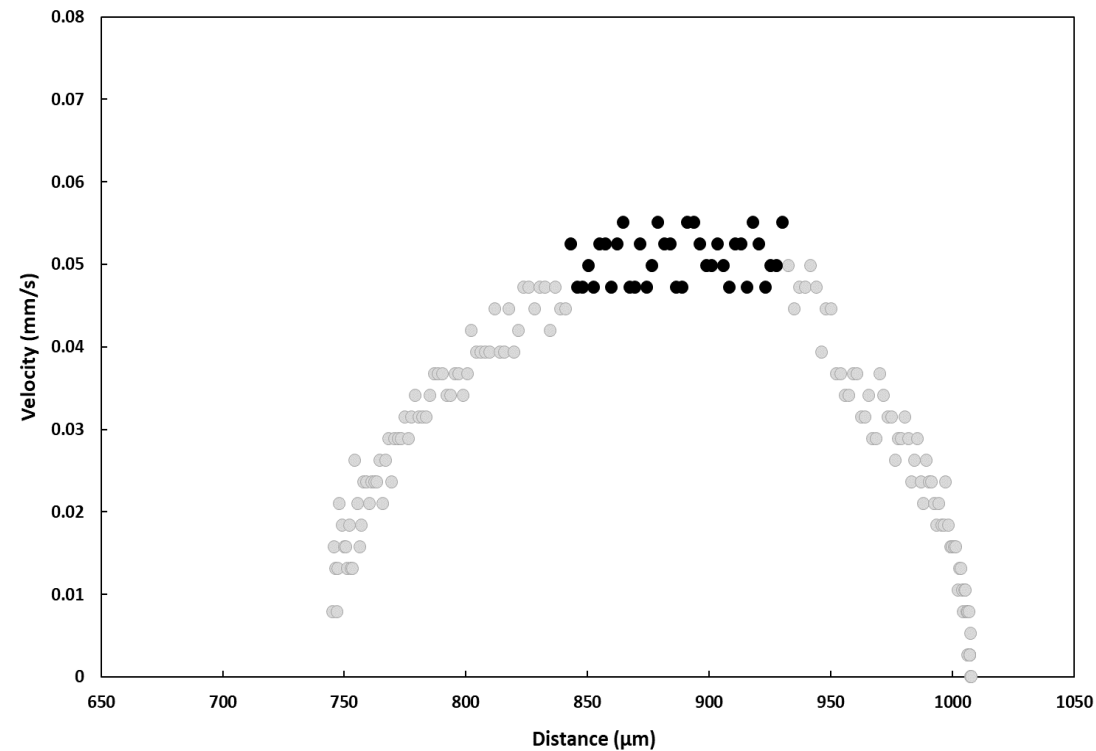
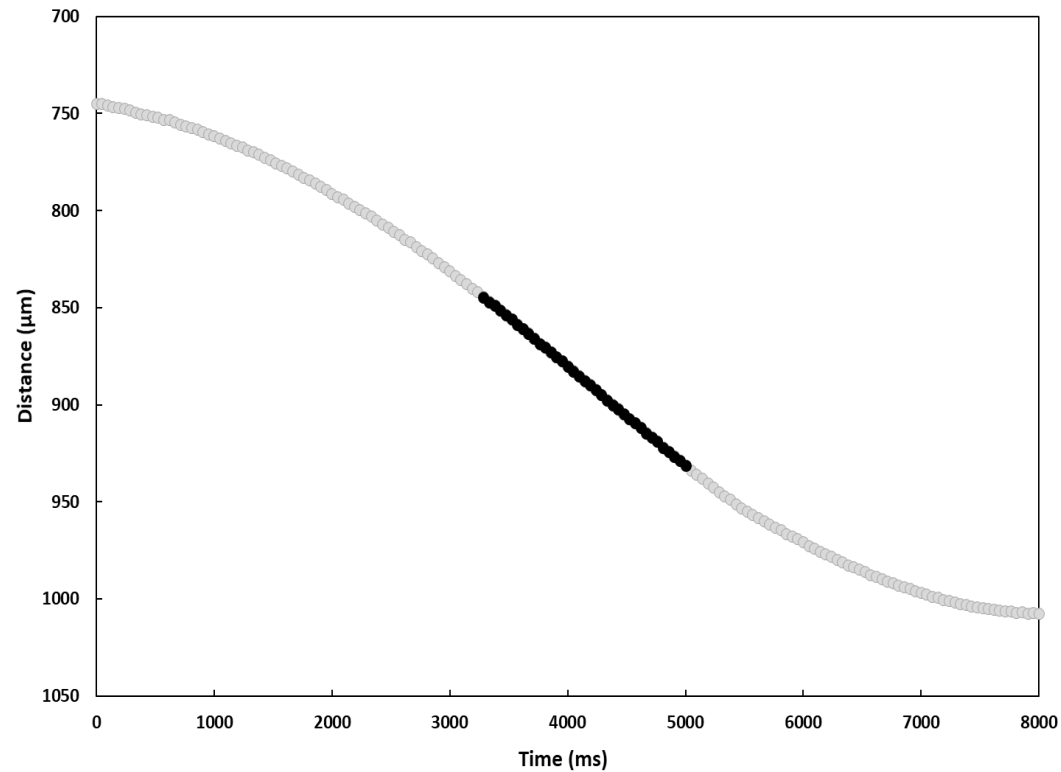
**Figure S8** Diagrams of the falling distance versus time (left) and falling velocity versus distance (right) of the Pt sphere (diameter of 113  $\mu\text{m}$ ) for the run at 2.3 GPa and 1600  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  (APR16-PE1). The terminal velocity was calculated by averaging an interval of maximum velocities (black dots) achieved only at limited regions of falling distance ( $\sim 700\text{--}770$   $\mu\text{m}$  distance).



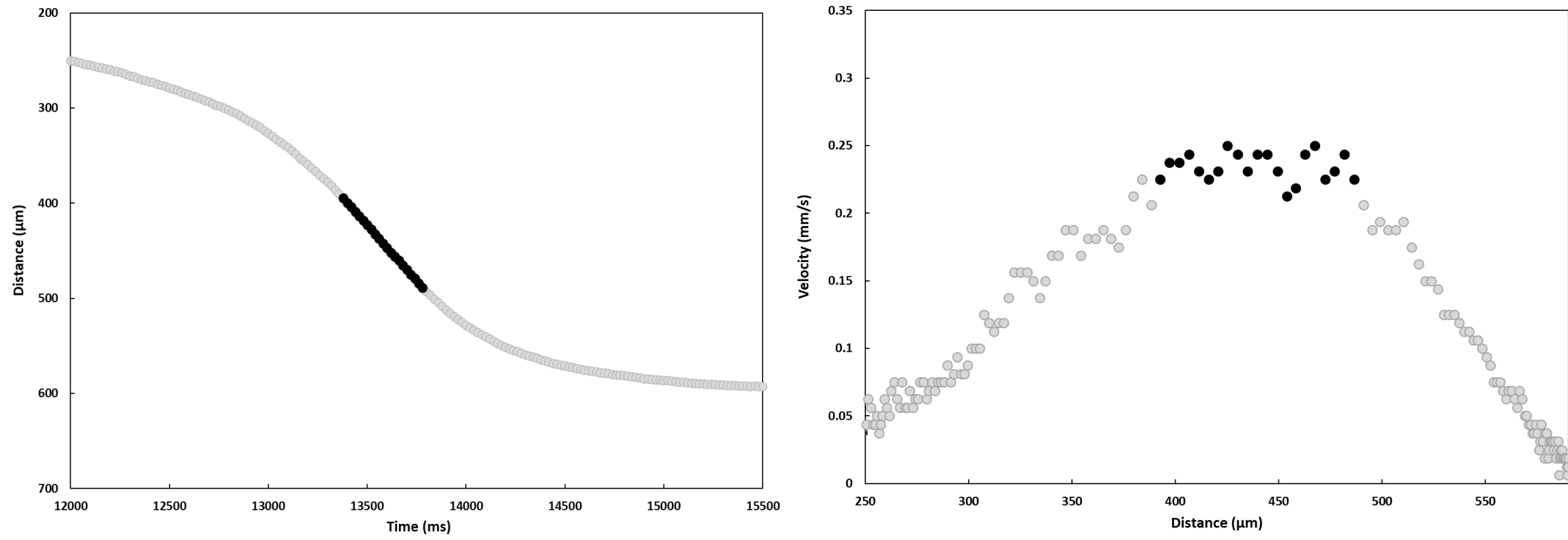
**Figure S9** Plots of the falling distance as function of time (left) and falling velocity versus distance (right) of the Pt sphere (diameter of 170  $\mu\text{m}$ ) for the run at 1.4 GPa and 1440  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  (APR16-PE2). The terminal velocity was calculated by averaging an interval of maximum velocities (black dots) achieved only at limited regions of falling distance (~490–660  $\mu\text{m}$  distance).



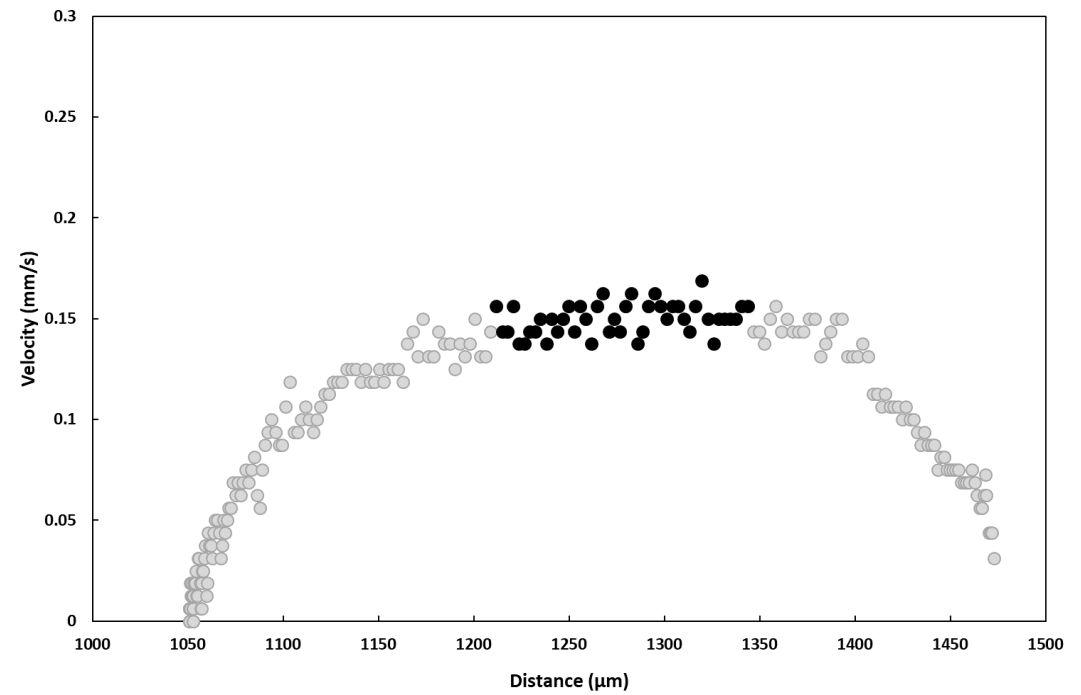
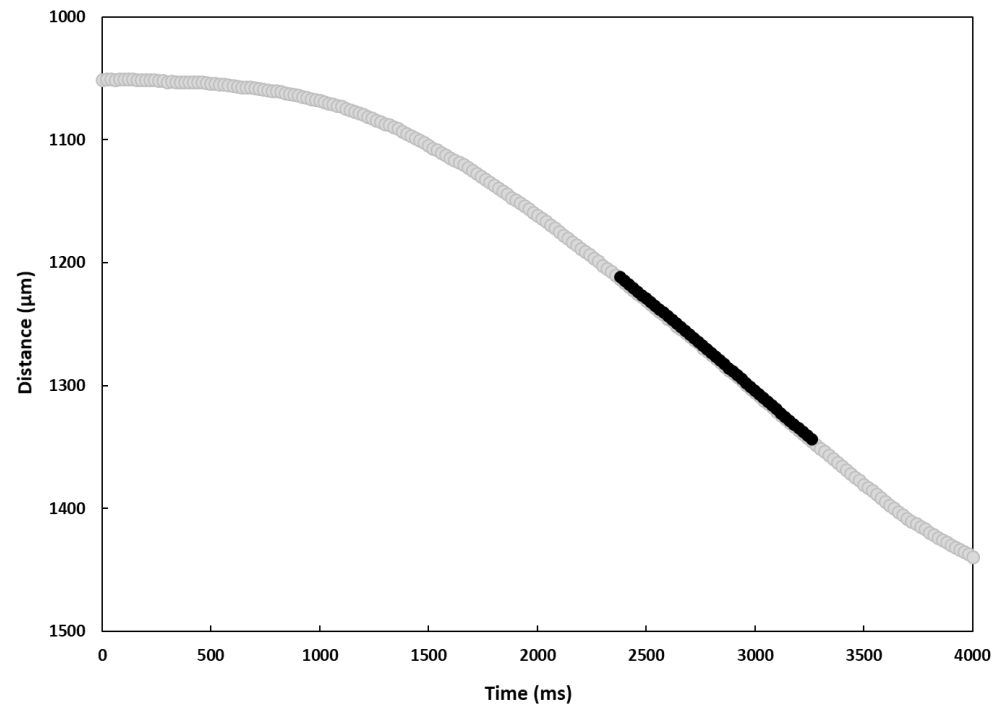
**Figure S10** The falling distance as function of time (left) and velocity (right) of the Pt sphere (diameter of  $107 \mu\text{m}$ ) in run at 0.7 GPa and  $1440 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  (APR16-PE3 top). The terminal velocity was calculated by averaging an interval of maximum velocities (black dots) achieved only at limited regions of falling distance ( $\sim 650\text{--}850 \mu\text{m}$  distance).



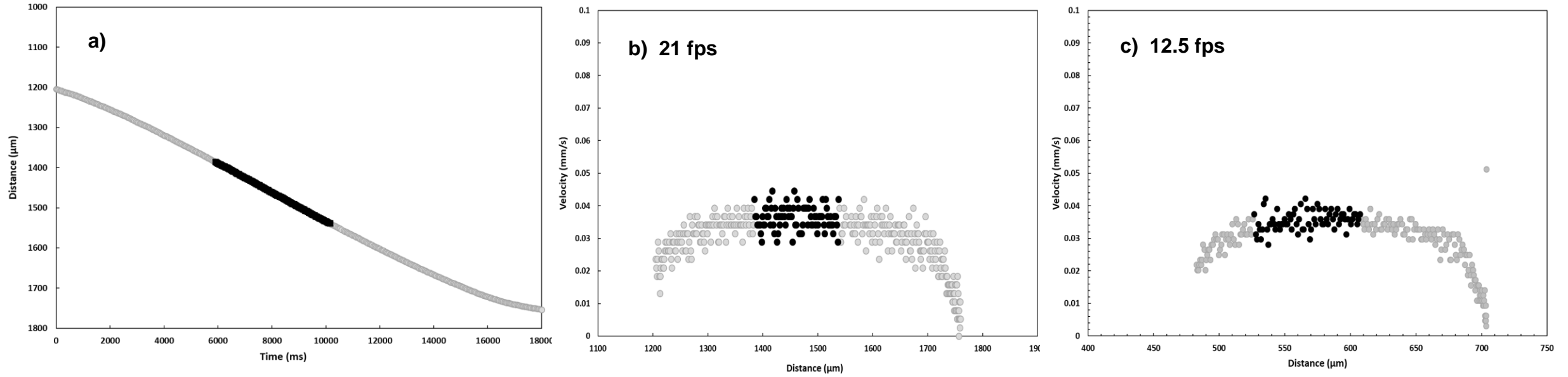
**Figure S11** Falling distance versus time (left) and velocity (right) of the Pt sphere (diameter of  $156\ \mu\text{m}$ ) recorded for the run at 0.7 GPa and  $1335\ ^\circ\text{C}$  (APR16-PE3 bottom). The terminal velocity was calculated by averaging an interval of maximum velocities (black dots) achieved only at limited regions of falling distance ( $\sim 850\text{--}950\ \mu\text{m}$  distance).



**Figure S12** The falling vertical distance (left) and velocity profile (right) of the Pt sphere (diameter of 140  $\mu\text{m}$ ) for the run at 7 GPa and 2000  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  (APR16-PE5). The terminal velocity was calculated by averaging an interval of maximum velocities (black dots) achieved only at limited regions of falling distance ( $\sim 400\text{--}500\ \mu\text{m}$  distance).



**Figure S13** The falling distance versus time (left) and velocity profile (right) of the Pt sphere (diameter of 138  $\mu\text{m}$ ) for the run at 5.6 GPa and 1835  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  (APR16-PE6). The terminal velocity was calculated by averaging an interval of maximum velocities (black dots) achieved only at limited regions of falling distance ( $\sim 1200$ – $1350$   $\mu\text{m}$  distance).



**Figure S14** (a) The falling distance of the Pt sphere (diameter of  $87 \mu\text{m}$ ) for the run at 3.7 GPa and  $1650 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  (APR16-PE7) as function of time. Falling velocity profiles are shown at b) 21 fps and c) 12.5 fps. The terminal velocity was calculated by averaging an interval of maximum velocities (black dots) achieved only at limited regions of falling distance ( $\sim 1400\text{--}1550 \mu\text{m}$  distance).